SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 736

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Webb School of Knoxville girls' basketball team upon winning the 2018 TSSAA Division II Class A State Girls' Basketball Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize and applaud those successful high school sports teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable group of athletes is the Webb School of Knoxville girls' basketball team, which recently won the 2018 Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Division II Class A State Girls' Basketball Championship; and

WHEREAS, state championships are achieved only through hard work, dedication, and the ability to work together as a team and excel with a cooperative spirit, and the Spartans exhibited each of these rare qualities during their championship season; and

WHEREAS, traveling to the Allen Arena at Lipscomb University, the Spartans made their way through the bracket, knocking down their opponents from Northpoint Christian School and Franklin Road Academy; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2018, the Webb School of Knoxville girls' basketball team defeated Franklin Road Academy by a final score of 55-42 and won the state championship; and

WHEREAS, this tremendous victory gives the Spartans team its sixth state basketball title; and

WHEREAS, the members of this exemplary team include Jasmine Jefferson, Haley Luttrell, Britney Collier, Kai Lanier, Emma Marion, Casey Collier, Zoya Amer, Bailey Musrock,

Emery Green, Catherine Hendershot, Macy Barnes, Alyssa Brown, Noelle Fuchs, Kristen Sampson, and Gigi Currie; and

WHEREAS, Casey Collier was named this year's tournament Most Valuable Player;

Haley Luttrell was named All-Tournament; and defensive specialist Jasmine Jefferson played an astounding thirty-two minutes during the tournament semifinal and twenty-eight minutes during the title game; and

WHEREAS, the Spartans undoubtedly benefited from the vast knowledge and steadfast leadership of their head coach, Shelley Collier, and their assistant coaches, David Ball and Hannah Summerfield; and

WHEREAS, these young women from Webb School of Knoxville epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved the highest level of success and shown the highest degree of character both in and out of the athletic arena; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Spartans of Webb School of Knoxville for serving as examples of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the Webb School of Knoxville girls' basketball team upon winning the 2018 TSSAA Division II Class A State Girls' Basketball Championship, applaud the team's tremendous athletic prowess, and extend to each member our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.